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Applicant: Norbert Taufenbach
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For: CO₂ SLAB LASER

Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to the examination of this application, please amend it as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the following paragraphs of the specification. Applicant includes herewith an Attachment for Specification Amendments showing a marked up version of each replacement paragraph.

Page 1, before the first paragraph, please insert the following header:

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 6, between lines 4 and 5, please add the as following header:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Pl as r plac th paragraph beginning on page 6, lin 7 with the following paragraph in clean form: